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State Parks Announces \$3.6 Million in Recreational Trails Grants

SACRAMENTO – California Department of Parks and Recreation Director Ruth Coleman today announced recommendations for \$3.6 million in funding for 16 non-motorized trail projects under the Recreational Trails Program.

The federally-funded program, which is administered nationally by the Federal Highway Administration and in California by the State Department of Parks and Recreation, became effective in 1993 and has been extended through September 2009. It provides money to the 50 states and the District of Columbia. In California, 70 percent of the funds are required to be allocated to non-motorized trail projects and 30 percent to motorized projects.

“I am constantly encouraging people to hit-the-trail in our State Parks,” said State Parks’ Director Ruth Coleman. “If you do, you will discover the unparalleled beauty found in the natural areas of this state, and you’ll get some exercise while having fun. This funding opens-the-door on beautiful places across the State.”

For non-motorized trail projects, Recreational Trails Program funds may be used for the development and rehabilitation of trails, trailside and trailhead facilities or the acquisition of easements and fee simple title to property for recreational trails or recreational trail corridors. Cities, counties, state agencies, and non-profit organizations with management responsibilities over public lands are eligible to apply. The program requires a 20 percent match.

Funds for the Recreational Trails Program come from the Federal Highway Trust Fund, and represent a portion of the motor fuel excise tax collected from non-highway recreational fuel use, to include: off-highway recreation by snowmobiles, all-terrain vehicles, off-highway motorcycles, and off-highway light trucks.

Listed below are the projects recommended for funding:

South Burma Trail	California State Parks	\$116,000
California State Parks will reconstruct, reroute and upgrade portions of approximately 1 mile of the South Burma Trail and its drainage system within Annadel State Park.		

Beaver Ck Accessibility & Connectivity	California State Parks	\$55,000
California State Parks will construct approximately 3,620 feet of trail in Calaveras Big Trees State Park.		
Fairview Park Bicycle Trail	City of Costa Mesa	\$256,000
The City of Costa Mesa will construct a bicycle trail.		
Big Break Shoreline Trail Gap Closure	East Bay Regional Park District	\$200,000
East Bay Regional Park District will construct approximately 1/2 mile of trail.		
Oak Parkway Open Space Corridor Trail - City of Folsom		\$155,200
The City of Folsom will construct a Class 1 bike trail with a parallel walking trail.		
Laguna Lake Park Regional Trail	City of Fullerton	\$400,000
The City of Fullerton will construct a multi-purpose trail.		
Carson Falls Trail Restoration	Marin Municipal Water District	\$155,329
The Marin Municipal Water District will rehabilitate and construct a trail.		
Tuolumne River Reg. Park Riverwalk Trail - City of Modesto		\$125,000
The City of Modesto will construct approximately 1,500 feet of trail.		
Oakland Waterfront Bay Trail	City of Oakland	\$450,000
The City of Oakland will construct two sections of trail, totaling approximately 1,000 feet.		
Lower Arroyo Seco Trail Improvements	City of Pasadena	\$196,700
The City of Pasadena will restore and rehabilitate deteriorated trails, adding and improving trail amenities (signage, water fountains, benches, equestrian furnishings, gate, handrail and block/stone wall improvements).		
Harding to Royer Bike Trail – Phase 1	City of Roseville	\$267,000
The City of Roseville will construct approximately 1/4 mile of trail.		
Mirada Surf Coastal Trail	County of San Mateo	\$150,000
The County of San Mateo will construct a trail.		
Santiago Creek Bike Trail Enhancement - City of Santa Ana		\$240,000
The City of Santa Ana will develop and rehabilitate a trail.		
Coyote Lake Phase II Trails Development - County of Santa Clara		\$480,000
The County of Santa Clara will construct a multi-use trail.		
Lake Siskiyou Trail Improvements - Siskiyou County Water Control District		\$328,800
The Siskiyou County Water Control District will rehabilitate existing trail segments.		
Creekside Park Loop Trail - Willow Creek Community Services District		\$25,000
The Willow Creek Community Services District will construct a loop trail.		
Total		\$3,600,029